

DONNINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL



AUTUMN TERM NEWSLETTER

30th November 2018

It is hard to believe that we are about to enter the month of December. There have been a number of great events so far this academic year with many more yet to come. Year 6 began this half term with a fantastic Class Assembly and set the standard for all year groups to follow. Year 5, Year 1 and Reception Class have all risen to the challenge and we look forward to others in the next few weeks.

Years 5 & 6 have visited the London Transport Museum as part of their topic. They are also having a whole afternoon of specialist basketball coaching.

Years 3 & 4 spent the day at the Science Museum earlier this half term and Years 1 and 2 have also made another trip to Roundwood Park to observe the changes in seasons. We continue to have our regular class visits to Willesden Library.

Thank you to all the children who supported the BBC Children in Need Appeal by wearing ODD SOCKS! We were, with a simple activity, able to raise £254 for this important charity. Thank you to all our children, parents and staff for their generosity and also thanks go to our School Council for organising the event.

I hope that you found your Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings of value. If you were unable to attend please ensure you arrange another appointment as this is a vital means of communication between home and school. A summary of your questionnaires will be added to the next newsletter.

Thank you also for your support for the Book Fair last week. Your spending of £534

meant we received £135 worth of free books for the School Library and classrooms.

A new initiative has been the Art Exhibition which took place last Friday in the Assembly Hall. We have started small but hope that as we move towards the 2020 Brent Year of Culture we will be able to have even bigger such events.

Please look out for the next one so that you can support your child should they have work displayed, or simply come along to see the range of work undertaken across the whole school.

As we near the Christmas holiday period may I remind parents that full attendance at school is vital for children's learning. Unauthorised Absences are not permitted and will be reported to the Brent Education Welfare Officer who may issue a fine.

Finally a special thank you to our Year 6 children who were praised by the organisers of the Brent Junior Citizenship Scheme on Tuesday for their wonderful behaviour and attitude during their visit. The children are a real credit to the school and their families.

Year 6 Junior Citizenship Scheme

On Tuesday 27th November Year 6 went on a trip to the Kingsbury Temple. We were greeted by Firefighters and Police officers. We took part in activities such as bike safety, healthy eating and knife crime.

The morning was very interesting and exciting and we learnt a lot from it.

One of our highlights was when they congratulated us for being one of the best behaved schools!

By Abdullah & Munira, Year 6

IMPORTANT!!

NURSERY & RECEPTION SEPTEMBER 2019

Please remember that all applications for a place in either a Nursery or Reception class for September 2019 at any school must be submitted by **Tuesday 15 January 2019**.

Reception applications are made online at Brent Council and applications to Donnington's Nursery are submitted directly to the School Office.

Please do not miss the deadline!

TOURS OF DONNINGTON NURSERY AND RECEPTION CLASSES

Parents/carers wishing to attend a tour of our Nursery or Reception Class may contact the School Office to book an appointment for one of the following days:

Monday	03 December	9.15am
Monday	10 December	9.15am
Friday	11 January	9.15am

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES SURVEY

Please see the yellow letter enclosed with this Newsletter asking for your thoughts and ideas regarding our After School Club provision for children in Years 1 to 6.

We appreciate you taking the time to complete the Survey and ask you to return it to school as soon as possible please. Thank you.

FODS CHRISTMAS FAIR
7TH DECEMBER
2.45 – 4.45pm
in the SCHOOL HALL
Please come along and support
your children and your school!

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY WINNERS

<u>Week</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Punctuality</u>
Week 1	Year 6	Year 6
Week 2	Year 6	Year 6
Week 3	Year 6	Year 6
Week 4	Year 4	Year 6

Healthy Eating & Well Being

We always promote healthy eating at Donnington so would ask that parents consider the playtime snacks and lunches provided for your children. Healthy lunches and snacks support children in their learning by developing a healthy body and mind.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dec

06	Wizard Theatre Performance
13	Christmas Assemblies: Nur, Rec & KS1 at 9:30 KS2 at 2pm
14	Children's Christmas Lunch
21	Term ends at 2.30pm

22nd Dec – 7th Jan Christmas Holiday

Jan

08	Children return for the Spring Term
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FODS CHRISTMAS FAIR

Each class is making items to be sold at the Christmas Fair so please come along and support your child. Exciting gifts, stalls and yummy food!! Parent helpers are needed to help set up and clear. **FODS Committee**